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The following data on the 3/th Technical Engr "n (RR Engr) stationed near VYANNA (5501217/3401018), Smolensk Oblast, were rearned (except from a detailed P report):

L. Location:

Cantonment buildings in NCVO TORKA, about 42 miles northeast of VYALLA

2. Superior Hadquarters:

167th Brig, MOSCOW. General Yefremov From MOSCOM came to VYAZMA with a technical acceptance commission in December 1946.

Officers:

CO of the Bn:

Lt Col Salyevich Soldatov

CO of 1st Co (Headquarters and Motor Trans Co): Capt YELLIAMOV.

CO of 2d Co: 1st Lt NISHEOV (Construction Co)

CO of 3rd Co (Roadbed and Cantonment Cons Co): 1st Lt RISHKOV

Cô of 4th Co (Tech Co): Capt FAMIN.

4. Strength:

1st Co: About 90 men

2d Co: About 120 men

3rd Co: About 70 men

4th Co: 128 men (reporting PW was mostly attached to this company).

5. Scuipment:

"mall arms, light machine guns, nand grenades, flame throwers, signal ecuipment, rai_road engineer equipment.

Technical equipment:

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

- a. First Co: Fully-motorized, one radio truck and one telephone truck.
- b. Fourth Co: Seven Pullman cars equipped with: Six lathes (of German origin, with 1,200 to 1,800 mm beds); Three shaping machines (of German origin) Four screw cutting machines (three from Pittler of Leipzig, one Kirovo type) Fourteen autogenous welding machines (Aga and Grisogen types) Twenty-three electric welding machines (Siemens, Grisogen and Kjellberg types).

7. Employment:

Construction of a sawmill near Novo-Torka (sic).

Construction of a slag-brick plant in Vyazma.

Construction of an engine roundhouse at the Vyazma railroad station.

Maintenance of a 75-mile section of the railroad line from Vyazma to Moscow.

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Comment:

a. The following engineer battalions with the numerical designation 34 are listed in the wartime files:

34th Guards Engineer Battalion of the 32d Guards Rifle Division 34th Bridge Battalion of the 34th Tank Division 34th Assault Engineer Battalion of the 7th Assault Engineer Brigade (APN 28437).

- b. The files do not list a 34th Technical Engineer Battalion of the 167th Engineer (?) Brigade.
- c. The report gains in value by naming General Yefremov who may be Colonel Yefremov who attended a scientific-technical conference of the Kuibyshev Redbanner Engineer Academy in April 1946, according to Soviet newspapers.